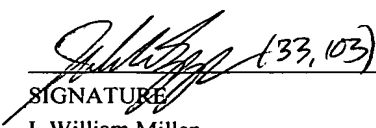


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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER PET-2164 U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">10/526499</div> |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/FR2004/000272 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 6 February 2004 (06.02.2004) | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 11 February 2003 (11.02.2003) |
| TITLE OF INVENTION PASSIVATION OF SULPHUR HYDROCONVERSION CATALYST | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Pierre DUFRESNE et al. | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. '371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. '371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. '371(c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. '371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). <p>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:. | | |

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| The following fees have been submitted | | | | CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY | |
| 21. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Basic national fee | \$300 | \$300.00 | |
| 22. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Examination fee | | \$200.00 | |
| If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) | | | \$100 | | |
| All other situations | | | \$200 | | |
| 23. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Search fee | | \$500.00 | |
| Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an | | | | | |
| International Searching Authority | | | \$100 | | |
| International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office | | | \$400 | | |
| All other situations | | | \$500 | | |
| Total of 21, 22 and 23 = | | | | \$1000.00 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. | | | | | |
| Total Sheets | Extra Sheets | Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number) | RATE | | |
| - 100 | /50 = | | x \$250 | \$ | |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(h)). | | | | \$ | |
| CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | | |
| Total Claims | 20- 20 = | 0 | x \$50 | \$ | |
| Independent Claims | 1- 3 = | 0 | x \$200 | \$ | |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) | | | + \$360 | \$ | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$1000.00 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2. | | | | | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ | |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)). | | | | \$ | |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ | |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | | | | \$ | |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$1000.00 | |
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| a. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | A check in the amount of \$1000.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. | | | |
| b. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Please charge my Deposit Account No. 13-3402 in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed | | | |
| c. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. | | | |
| d. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. | | | |
| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status. | | | | | |
| SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: | | | | | |
|  SIGNATURE I. William Millen NAME 19,544 REGISTRATION NUMBER March 4, 2005 | | | | | |